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PATENT  
Attorney Docket No.: **A-1-9**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

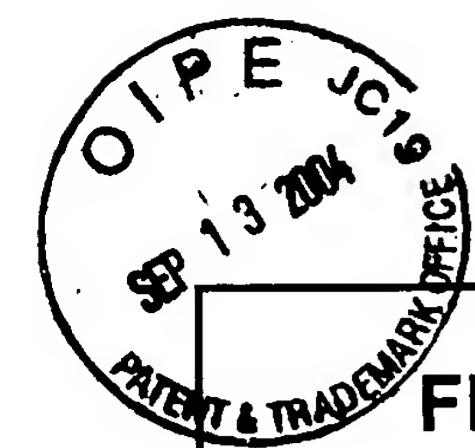
In re application of: )  
PHILIP E. EGGERST et al. )  
Application No.: 10/621,839 )  
Filed: July 16, 2003 )  
For: METHODS FOR ELECTROSURGICAL )  
TISSUE TREATMENT BETWEEN SPACED )  
APART ELECTRODES (AS AMENDED) )  
) **AMENDMENT**  
)

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed April 30, 2004 for which a response was due July 30, 2004. This response is being filed with a request for a two month extension of time therefore extending the deadline to respond to September 30, 2004. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

09/14/2004 HDEMESS1 00000044 500359 10621839  
01 FC:1252 420.00 DA  
09/14/2004 HDEMESS1 00000044 500359 10621839  
02 FC:1202 18.00 DA



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## FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2004

Applicant claims small entity status. 37 CFR 1.27

**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT \$438**

Application No.: 10/621,839

Filing Date: July 16, 2003

First Named Inventor: P. Eggers, et al.

Examiner Name: L. Cohen

Group Art Unit: 3739

Attorney Docket No.: A-1-9

### METHOD OF PAYMENT

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any overpayments to:

**Deposit Account No. 50-0359**  
ArthroCare Corporation

### FEE CALCULATION

#### 1. BASIC FILING FEE

##### Large Entity      Small Entity

Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001	770	2001	385	Utility filing fee	
1002	330	2002	165	Design filing fee	
1003	520	2003	260	Plant filing fee	
1004	770	2004	385	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	
<b>SUBTOTAL (1) \$0</b>					

#### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	- 24** =	Independent Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
25					

##### Large Entity      Small Entity

Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20	
1201	86	2201	43	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dep. Claim	
1204	86	2204	43	**Reissue indp. over orig.	
1205	18	2205	9	**Reissue clms over 20	
<b>SUBTOTAL (2) \$18</b>					

\*\*or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

### FEE CALCULATION (continued)

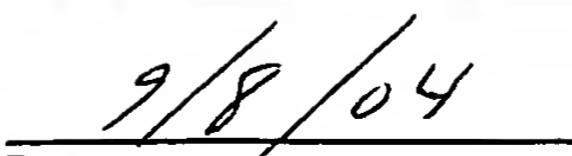
#### 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Fee Code	Large Entity Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge – late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge – late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	Request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner Action	
1805	1,840	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner Action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within 1 <sup>st</sup> month	
1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within 2 <sup>nd</sup> month	420
1253	950	2253	475	Extension for reply within 3 <sup>rd</sup> month	
1254	1,480	2254	740	Extension for reply within 4 <sup>th</sup> month	
1255	2,010	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within 5 <sup>th</sup> month	
1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
1402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive – unintentional	
1501	1,330	2501	650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	480	2502	240	Design issue fee	
1503	640	2503	320	Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of IDS	
8021	40	8021	40	Recording assignment per property	
1809	770	2809	385	Filing a submission after final	
1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined	
1801	770	2801	385	Request for Continued Examination	
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
<b>Other fee: _____</b>					
<b>SUBTOTAL (3) \$420</b>					

\*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

### SUBMITTED BY:

  
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